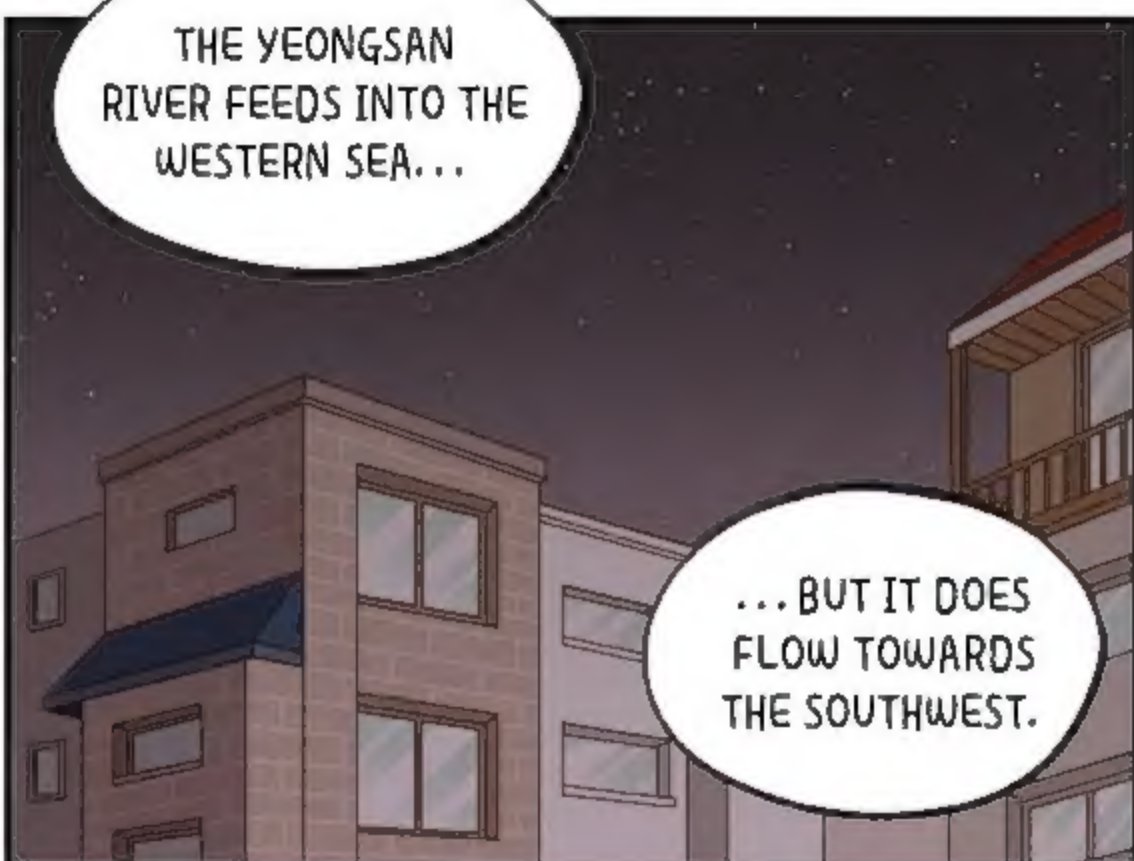


A night scene of a city street. In the foreground, there are several multi-story buildings with lit windows. The sky is dark with some stars visible. A speech bubble is in the upper left, and another is in the middle right.

THE YEONGSAN
RIVER FEEDS INTO THE
WESTERN SEA...

... BUT IT DOES
FLOW TOWARDS
THE SOUTHWEST.

A dark, shadowy interior scene, possibly a hallway or a room. A speech bubble is in the lower left corner.

HOW DID
YOU FIND US?



YOU THINK OF
THE YEONGSAN
RIVER?

I THOUGHT
YOU WERE JUST
A CITY BOY...



MY OLD
HOUSE WAS AROUND
THERE.

HUH?
YOU MOVED?

DID YOU HAVE
A VACATION HOUSE
NEAR THE SOUTHERN SEA
OR SOMETHING?



HAH...
I DIDN'T EVEN
THINK OF THE
YEONGSAN
RIVER.

*IT'S USUALLY
EMPTY*



RIGHT...

I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF
WE'LL BE ABLE TO MEET THE
YEONGSAN RIVER DRAGON
EVEN IF WE GO



EVEN IF WE GO...





HMM... HE'S
A BIT OF A FREE
SPIRIT...

HE TENDS
TO WANDER
AROUND...

SO HE JUST
DOESN'T WORK?

ISN'T
HE THE BOSS?

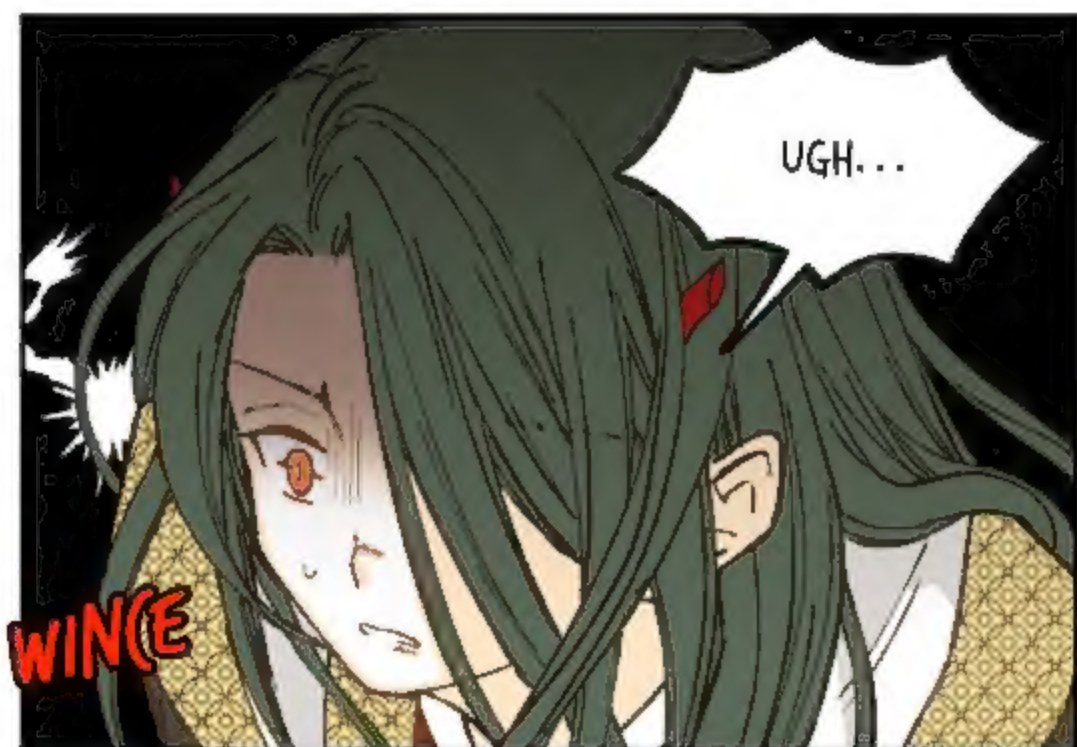
SO YOU'RE
SAYING WE SHOULD
FIND THE YEONGSAN RIVER
DRAGON, EVEN THOUGH
WE DON'T KNOW
WHERE HE IS...

... THEN
BUTTER HIM UP
ENOUGH TO HEAR
THE ANSWER?

WE'LL BE
TOO LATE!

I THINK LORD
YISHIMI HAS ALREADY
FOUND THE
ANSWER!





COUGH





THEN WHAT
DO YOU WANT US
TO DO?!

YOU ALREADY
FAILED AT SPYING ON
LORD YISHIMI!

THERE ARE
FIVE OF US HERE.
WE DON'T NEED TO
STICK TOGETHER!

IF WE ALL
SPLIT UP AND
SEARCH--

ME AND BARI,
THAT'S TWO.

ARE YOU
COUNTING THEM
AS ONE EACH?

HOW
ARE HUMANS
GOING TO FIND



ANYTHING?



YOU'RE
RIGHT.

IF WE'RE
LOOKING FOR INFORMATION,
IT'S BETTER TO HAVE MORE
PEOPLE, ISN'T IT...?

How

HOW TO BECOME A DRAGON



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OH MY...

I'M SO
TOUCHED...

THERE ARE...

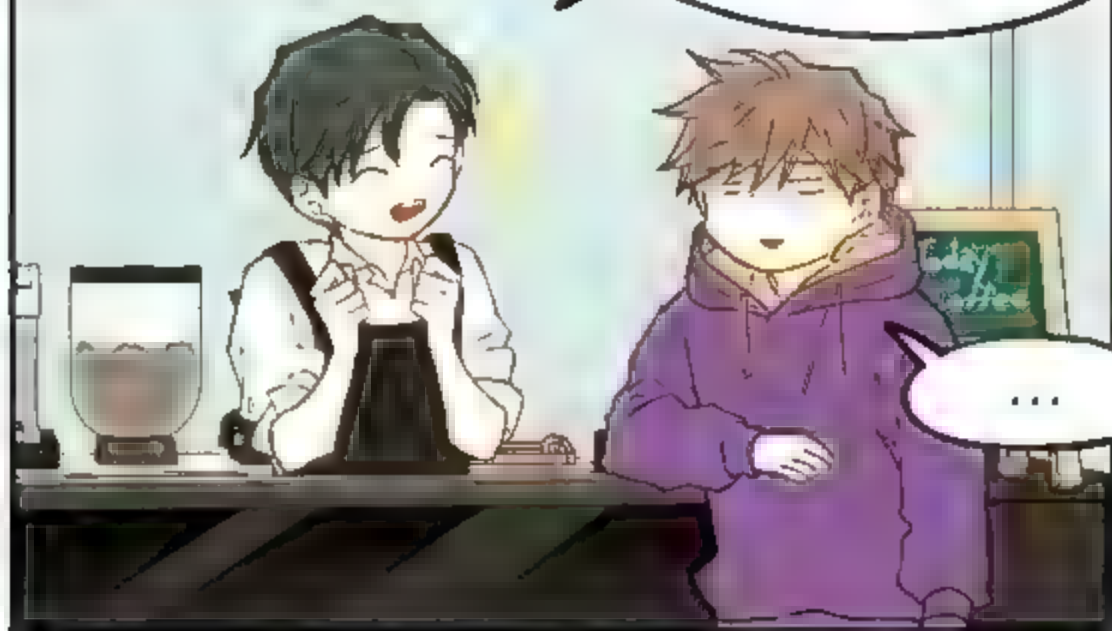
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... SO MANY
CUSTOMERS AT
MY CAFE...

WHO ARE ALL
OF THESE PEOPLE?
ARE THEY BARI'S
FRIENDS?

SEEING THEM
ALL TOGETHER,
IT'S LIKE BEING ON THE SET
OF A HISTORICAL
DRAMA!



HOW DID
HE GATHER SO MANY
IMOOGIS IN SUCH A SHORT
AMOUNT OF TIME?

CRACK

AH,
HE'S HERE!

HE DOESN'T
EVEN HAVE
SERVANTS LIKE
YISHIMI
DOES...

THERE
HE IS!

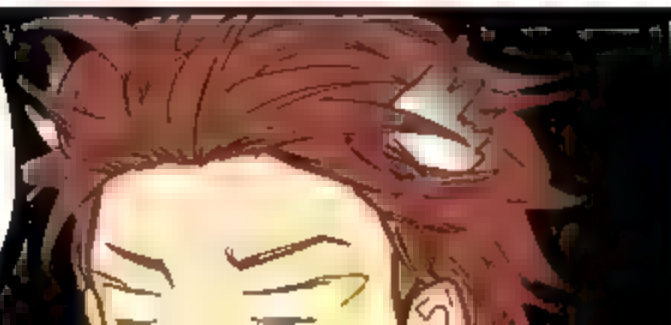
MIRI,
YOU B*STARD!

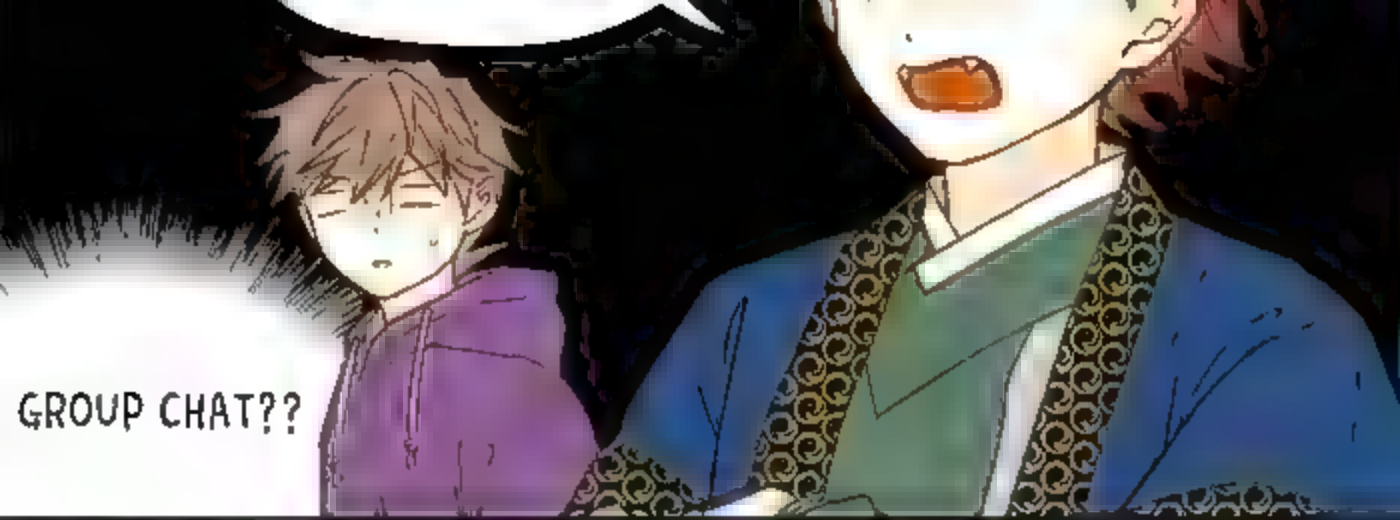
YOU
SAID WHAT?



WHAT, DID
I SAY SOMETHING
WRONG?

AND
STOP LEAVING
THE GROUP CHAT!
IT'S ANNOYING TO KEEP
COPYING AND PASTING
MESSAGES!





GROUP CHAT??

IT'S LIKE YOU'RE
RUBBING SALT INTO
THE WOUND...

TREMBLE

Losers 16

Hey jobless losers,
having fun drinking
alone in your little
caves? do something
actually productive
and come here.

TREMBLE

LOOK AT
THIS TEXT...

ARE
YOU LOOKING
FOR A FIGHT?
HUH?

IT'S NOT
LIKE YOU WOULD
HAVE COME OUT IF
I ASKED NICELY
INSTEAD.

HE BROUGHT
THEM HERE

BY PICKING
A FIGHT?

YOU
FAILED THE
EXAM TOO!

WHO ARE
YOU TO TALK
LIKE THAT?

EVERYONE,
CALM DOWN.







HAVE ANY OF
YOU HEARD ABOUT
WHERE HE IS?





SHOUT

YOU
WERE ALL TOO
HAPPY TO BE REVIVED
IN THE FIRST EXAM,
THANKS TO BARI!

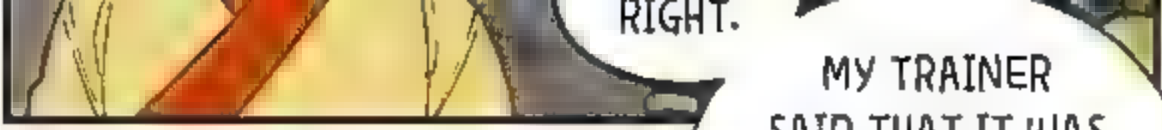
YOU OUGHT
TO BE REPAYING
HIM!

YEAH,
SO WE BARELY
REGAINED OUR
HOPE...



IF WE WERE
GOING TO FAIL ANYWAYS,
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER
FOR US TO HAVE
FAILED THEN.





RIGHT.

MY TRAINER
SAID THAT IT WAS
LIKE BEING TORTURED
WITH FALSE HOPE.
THEY WERE RIGHT.



THIS
ISN'T AN EXAM,
IT'S TORTURE.

I HAD SO
MUCH HOPE WHEN
I WENT OUT...



... AND NOW,
THINKING ABOUT
BEING TRAPPED IN THAT
TINY POND AGAIN IS
LIKE HELL.



IF I'D JUST KEPT
MY HOPES DOWN FROM
THE BEGINNING...

...

...IT WOULDN'T
HURT AS MUCH
NOW.

WOW, YOU
SCOUNDRELS...

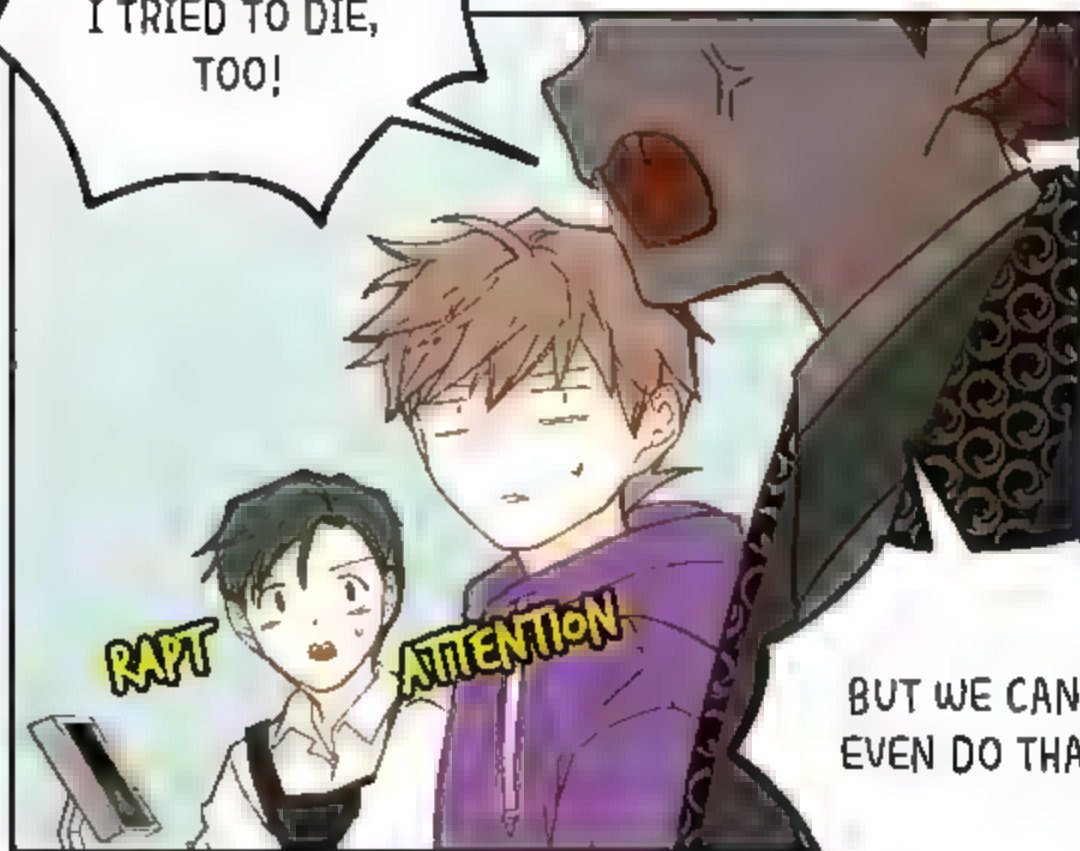
YOU'RE ALL JUST
WALLOWING IN YOUR
OWN SELF-PITY...

FINE!
I TRIED TO DIE,
TOO!

RAPT

ATTENTION

BUT WE CAN'T
EVEN DO THAT!



INSTEAD
OF NOT DOING
ANYTHING AND LIVING
LIKE TRASH...

...IS IT SO
BAD TO TRY TO
HELP A FRIEND
WHO ACTUALLY HAS
A CHANCE?

WOW,
WHAT PLAY
IS THIS?

WHISPER

WHISPER

...

EVERYONE
IS SO GOOD AT
ACTING.



I KNOW
YOU'RE ALL HAVING
A HARD TIME.

I WAS TOO.

I ALSO KNOW THAT
IT'S PRESUMPTUOUS
OF ME...

... TO
ASK FOR YOUR
HELP WHEN YOU'RE
STILL DROWNING
IN SADNESS.

BUT...

I WANT TO DO
MY BEST WITH THE
OPPORTUNITY THAT
I'VE BEEN GIVEN.

THAT'S WHY
I'M ASKING FOR
YOUR HELP.

OF COURSE

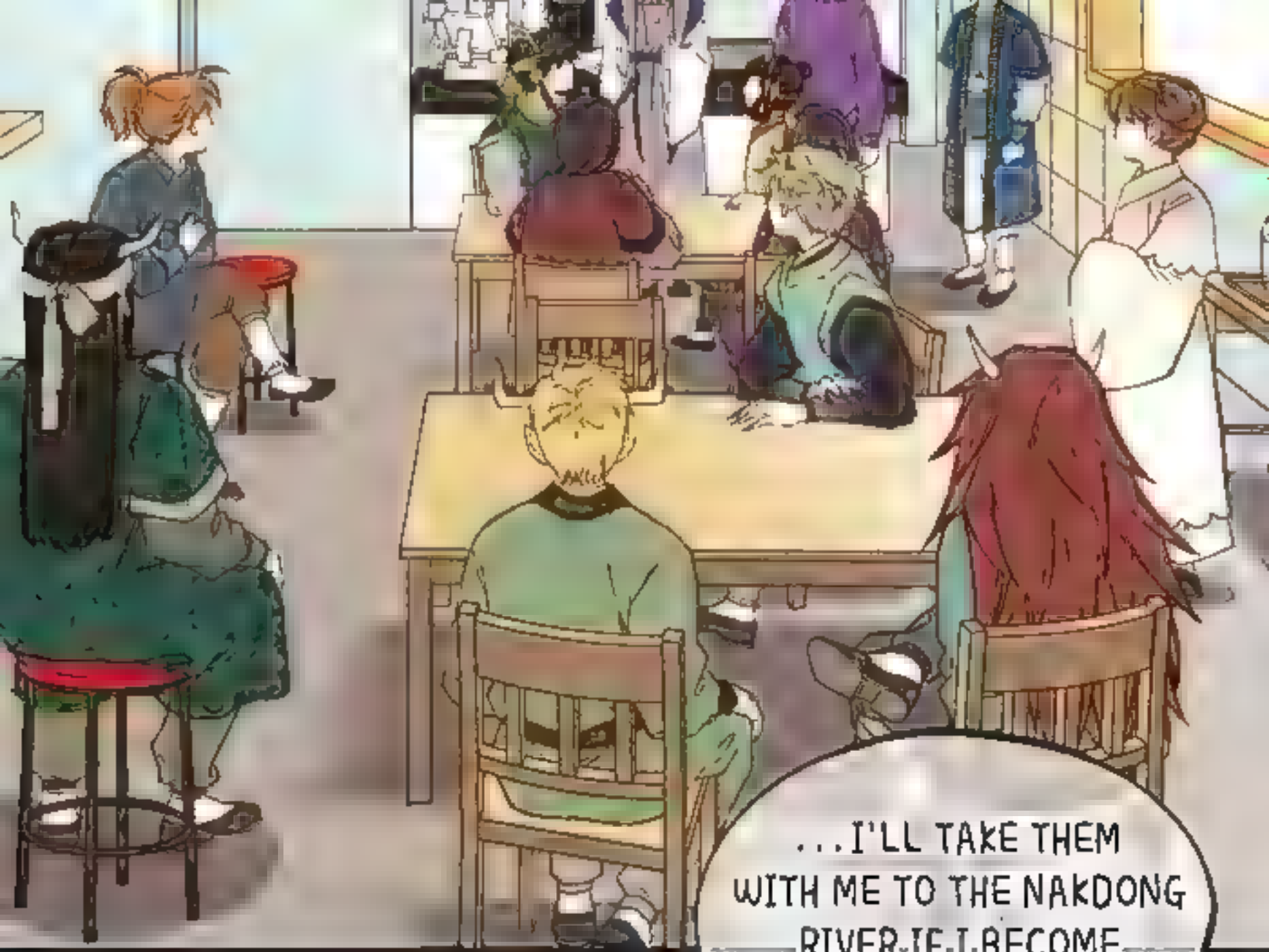
OF COURSE,

I'M NOT
ASKING WITHOUT
ANYTHING TO OFFER
IN RETURN.



IF ONE OF
THE IMOOGIS HERE
FINDS THE YEONGSAN
RIVER DRAGON...





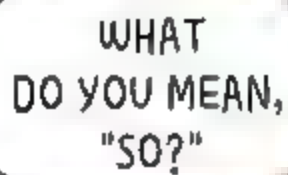
...I'LL TAKE THEM
WITH ME TO THE NAKDONG
RIVER-IF-I-BECOME
A DRAGON.



HUH?

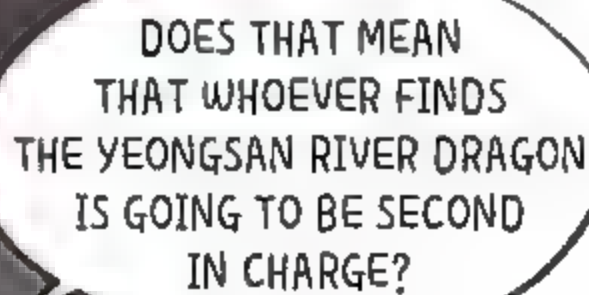




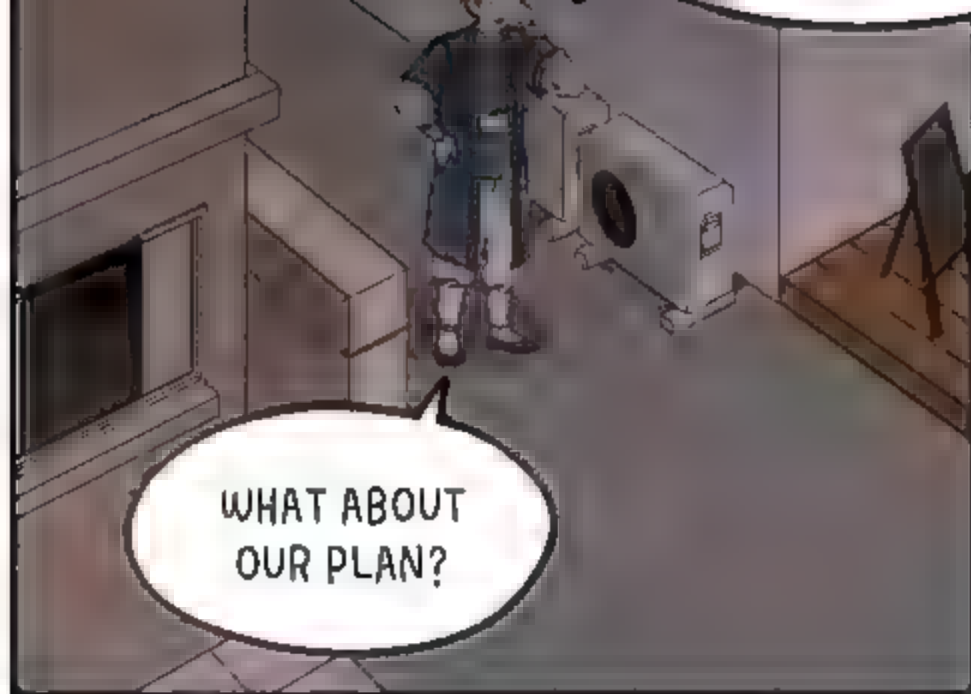


WHAT
DO YOU MEAN,
"SO?"

ALL OF THEM
RAN OFF TO GO LOOK
FOR THE YEONGSAN
RIVER DRAGON.



DOES THAT MEAN
THAT WHOEVER FINDS
THE YEONGSAN RIVER DRAGON
IS GOING TO BE SECOND
IN CHARGE?





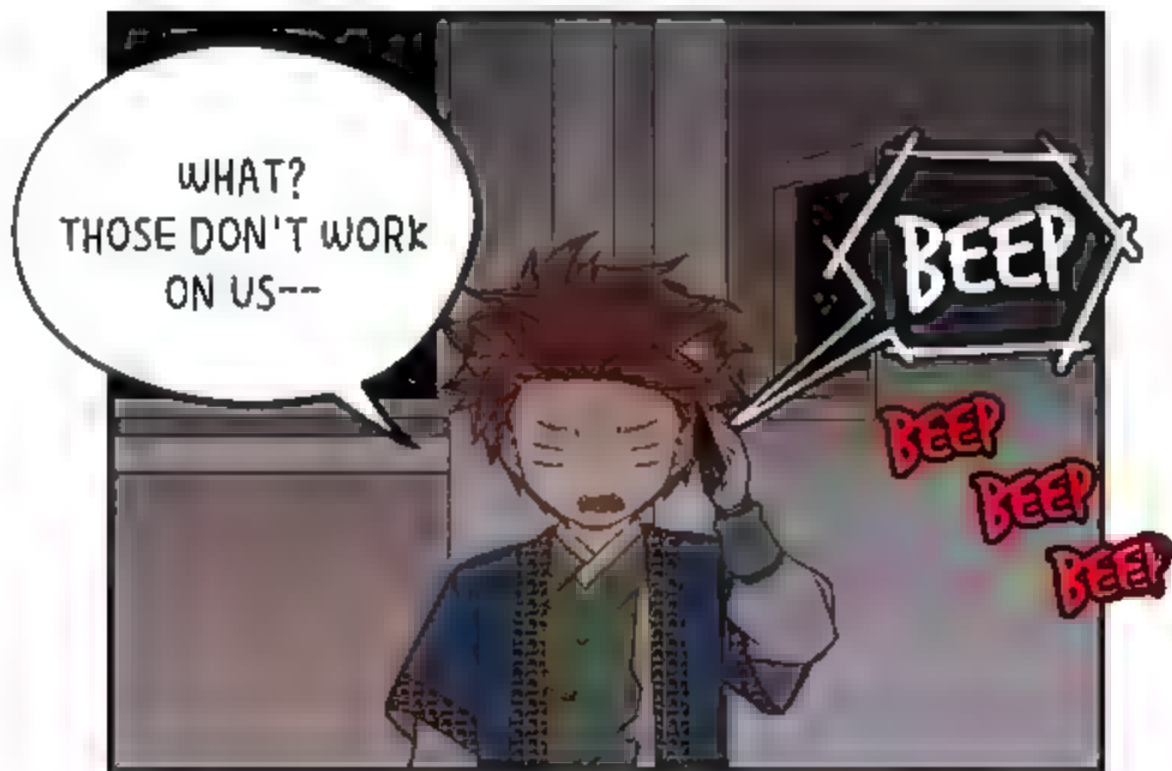


JUST
GET BACK HERE
FOR NOW.

AH, AND BRING
SOME FEVER REDUCERS
ON YOUR WAY BACK.

YEONGNO
HAS A TERRIBLE
FEVER.







HEY, WHAT
ARE YOU DOING
THERE?

HOW RUDE

LET'S GO.

BESIDES
THE YEONGSAN

RIVER DRAGON,

I ASKED EVERYONE
TO REPORT BACK ON
ANYTHING THEY HEAR ABOUT
THE LIGHTNING IN THE
SOUTHERN SEA 200
YEARS AGO.

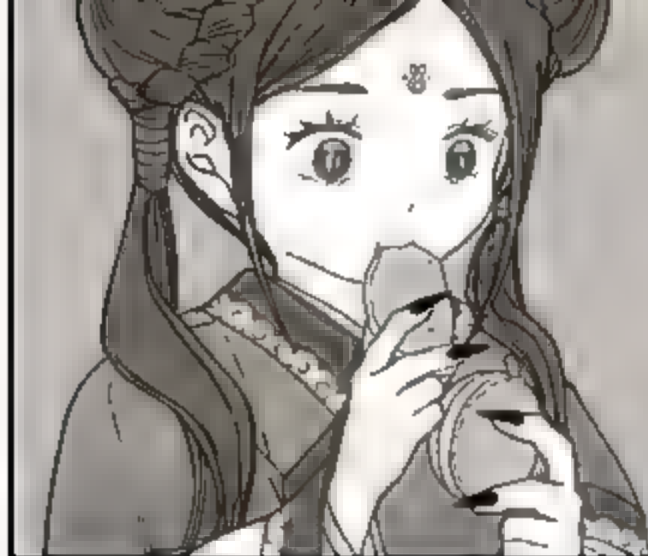
Don't leave
this time or else
I'll kill you

WE SHOULD
LOOK ON OUR
OWN, TOO.

...!



YOU MIGHT
NOT BELIEVE THIS,
BUT THE SOYANG RIVER
DRAGON IS INTERESTED
IN OUR TRASH GUY.



IF WE BRING
HER SOME SWEETS AND
ASK, SHE'LL PROBABLY
TELL US.

BUT THE
SOYANG RIVER
DRAGON SLEEPS
SO MUCH...



I DON'T THINK
SHE'LL KNOW.



YOU'RE RIGHT.

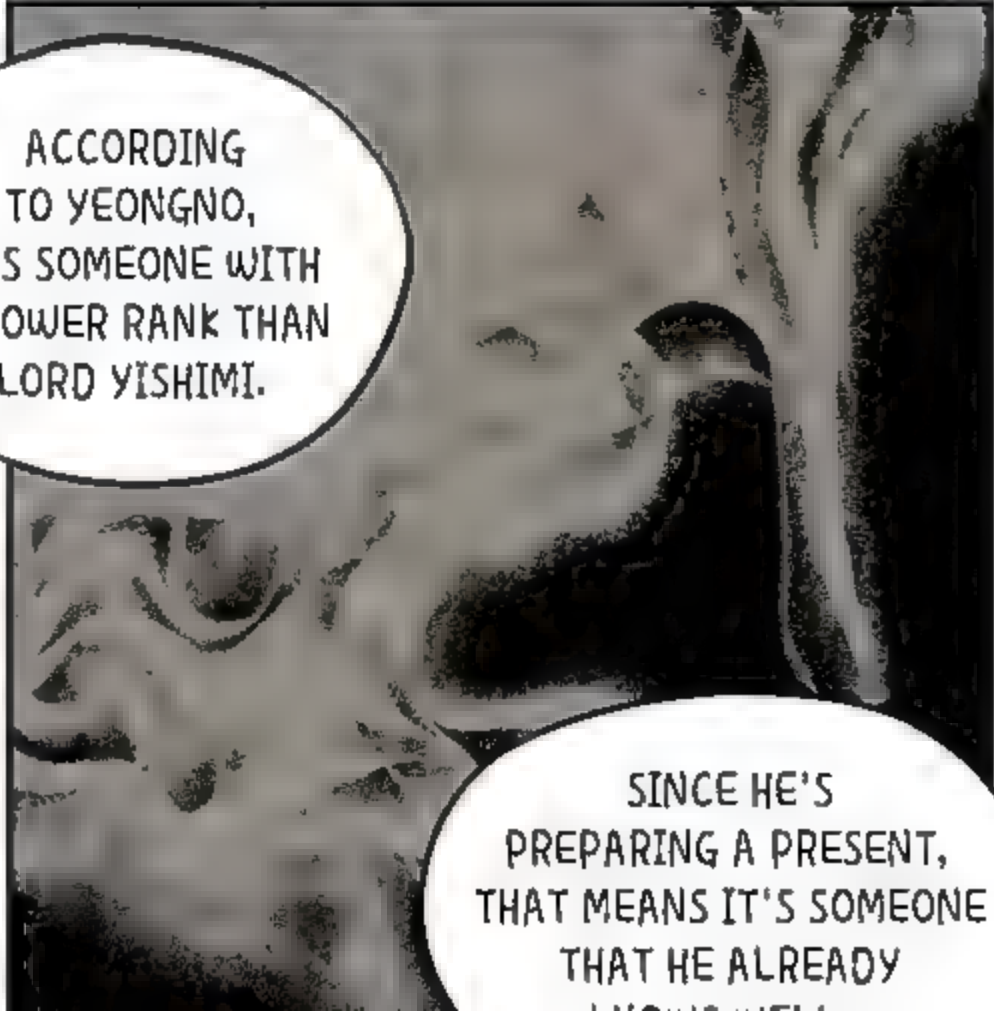
AND ALSO...

EVEN IF
FOLLOWING LORD
YISHIMI DIDN'T
WORK,

I STILL
WONDER WHO HE



THINKS IS THE RIGHT
ANSWER.



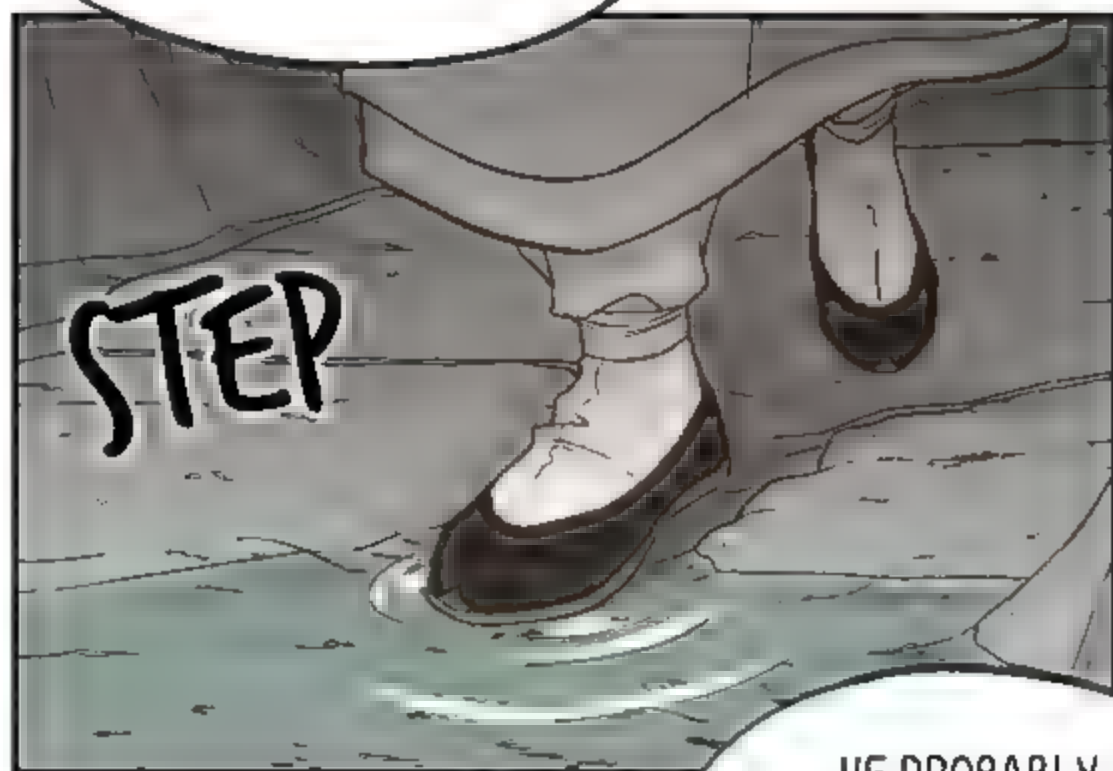
ACCORDING
TO YEONGNO,
IT'S SOMEONE WITH
A LOWER RANK THAN
LORD YISHIMI.

SINCE HE'S
PREPARING A PRESENT,
THAT MEANS IT'S SOMEONE
THAT HE ALREADY

KNOWS WELL.



AFTER LORD YISHIMI
RELINQUISHED HIS ASCENSION,
HE DID NOT LEAVE THE HOLY
MOUNTAIN OFTEN.



HE PROBABLY
DOESN'T HAVE MANY
CLOSE FRIENDS...

SO...

...WHO IS

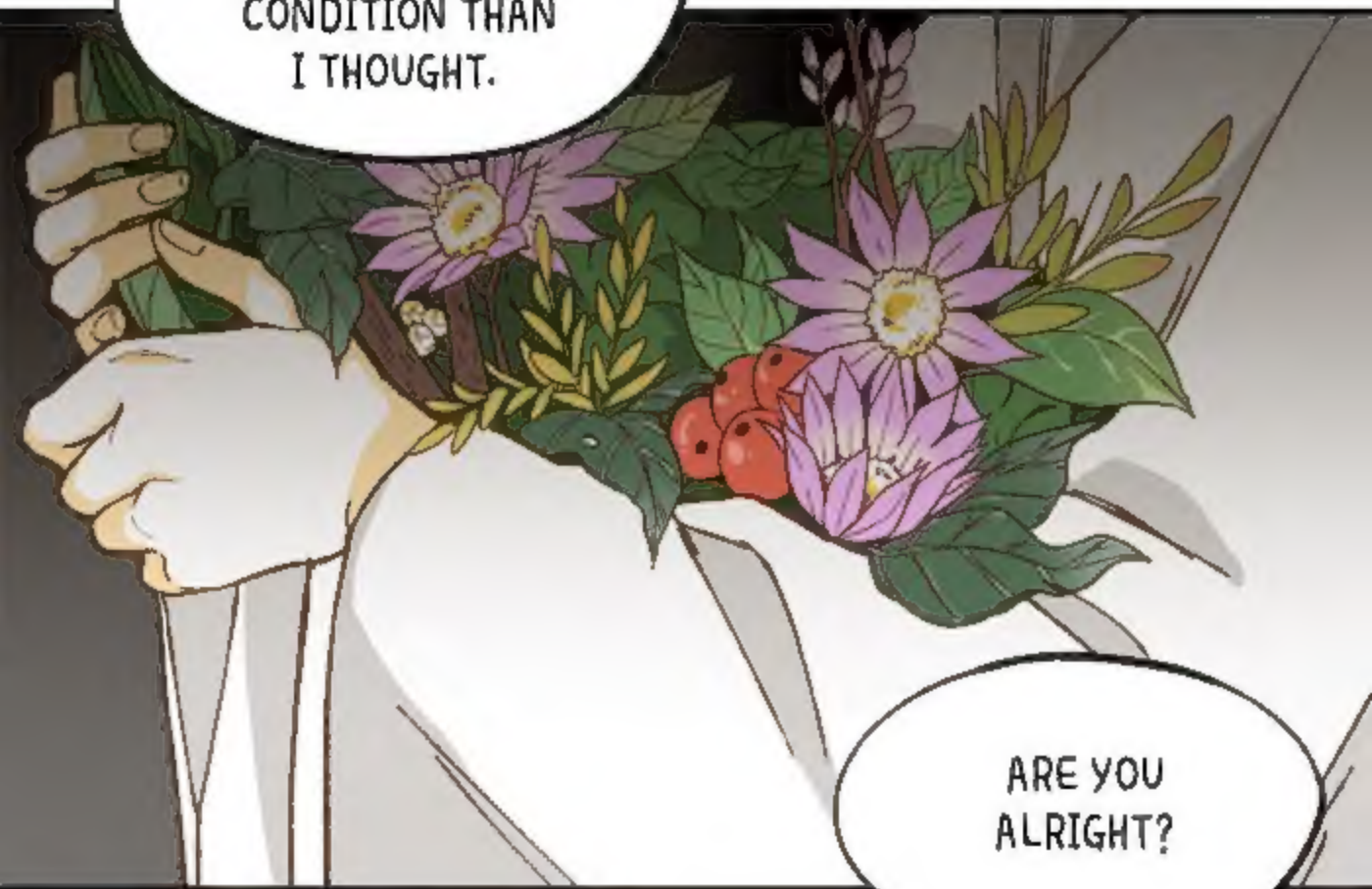
HE GOING TO
MEET?

HMM...

I HEARD THAT
YOU HAVE NOT
BEEN IN GOOD
HEALTH...

... BUT YOU SEEM
TO BE IN FAR WORSE
CONDITION THAN
I THOUGHT.

ARE YOU
ALRIGHT?







HOW...



... DID YOU
COME HERE?

